

July 1, 2025

30 years ago today, I created BOYS OF BASEBALL - NATIONAL TRAVEL TEAM...it was on a June 29, 1995, flight back from Kauai, Hawaii that I said to fellow Doyle Baseball Coach, Rich Luppino, "I can do this!" We had just played in a 12 & under baseball tournament with teams from several states, as well as from several communities in Hawaii. What an eye-opener..." Baseball In Paradise" was the headline of our local newspaper! Coleman (11) was a teammate & played well, all the while breaking his right index finger, HBP...our Doyle Baseball Team stood out, creating friendships & memories that continue to this day.

July 1, 1995, I gathered up the paperwork for the not-for-profit 501c3, tax-exempt status...got it all completed and submitted in-tact, getting approved on our first go around...batting 1.000 already! BOB-NTT continued until Labor Day weekend, 2008.

I share this with many of you as you were with us from the very start...just one 12U tournament in late October 1995 in Winter Haven, Florida, hosted by Doyle Baseball, their home base. Over the years, we participated in 296 age-group tournaments that spanned the continental United States, The Dominican Republic, Cuba, Hawaii, & Cooperstown Dreams Park 49 trips...every tournament roster & experience was unique in every way.

Tournament experiences & friendships persist as I write this...the memories & relationships formed with players, families, coaches, & the many places & baseball complexes we played on...these can't be traded for anything...priceless & lasting lifetimes!

Coaches include: Terry Jinks, Pat Harrison, Rich Luppino, Jimmy "Crack Corn" Kolaitis, Mark Fuller, Allen Ponder, Coleman Cosgrove, Clark Jinks, Gary Butler, Chris Miller, Bryan Gobbell, Phillip Landers, 'Ole Joe Wheeler, John Starling, Brad "Kaintuck" McNew, Scott "Bubba" Luke, Paul "Bucket" Benzer, Wilfredo Munoz, Wayne "The Governor" Boyd, Jerry Murphy, Lindsay Brehm, Rob McCaa, Allen Blackmon, Mike LeCroy, Greg Avant, Steve Grice, Jody Hillyer, Bill Scott, Michael Guy, Joel "Cornbread" Lawrence, Bert "Chili Cheese Dog" Farris, Jerry Arsenault, Tom Francis, Eddie Brewer, Marty Morris, Bill Pinkham, Bill Ruffin, Wally Lubanski, John Wirnsberger, Mark "Numbers" Faraci, TJ Privett, & PJ Roman

I share this BOB-NTT 30-Year Anniversary note to let you know...to everyone who helped contribute to the special experiences we all enjoyed...how much I appreciate & cherish you and your personal contributions to the truly exceptional program that BOB-NTT became and is widely remembered as...BOB-NTT could not have evolved as it did without you.

STAY BALANCED in all things!

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